GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Service - Revenue Department - Departmental proceedings against Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District - Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 951 Dated: 29-08-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB vide letter SC.No.01/DES-WVP/2023, dt.16.10.2024.
2. From the DG, ACB vide letter C.No.1/DES-WVP/2023-S.11, dt.14.05.2025.
3. G.O.Ms.No.295, Revenue (Vig.III) Department, dated:29.08.2025.

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 for indulging in corrupt practices while discharging her duties while Surprise Check was conducted 20.01.2023 by the Inspector of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam Range.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charges (Annexure.I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the Articles of Charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexures. II, III & IV).

3. Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of her defence.

4. Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles of Charges as are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of Charge.

5. Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defence on or before the time specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold inquiry against her ex-parte and further action will be processed based on the material available.

(P.T.O)

6. Attention of Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interests in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any representation is received on his/her behalf from any other person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed that Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his/her instance and action will be taken against him/her for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Memorandum be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Smt. Hanumanthu Thriveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District ***through*** the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Anakapalli District.
Sf/Sc.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. HANUMANTHU TRIVENI D/O KRISHNA RAO, 34 YEARS, DEPUTY TAHSILDAR O/O THE TAHSILDAR, ROLUGUNTA MANDAL, ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT.

That Smt. Hanumanthu Triveni D/o Krishna Rao, 34 years, Deputy Tahsildar o/o the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District (here in after referred as Government Servant), while functioning as such during the period between 11.07.2019 to 20-01-2023 (till date of Surprise Check) committed grave misconduct in as much as:

ARTICLE-1

That the Government Servant did not maintain the registers properly i.e Record Room Register, Movement Register, F-Line Register, Personal Cash Register by violating the orders vide G.O. Ms.No 3 of Revenue (Ser.III) Department dated 05.01.1990 of Govt of AP& GO MS No.20 of Revenue (Ser-II) Department, dated 21.01.2016.

ARTICLE-2:

That the Government Servant engaged Kum Kidari Sowmyalatha @ Sangeetha, to assist in maintaining the official records and paying Rs.3,000/- per month.

Thus, the Government Servant Smt. Hanumanthu Triveni D/o Krishna Rao, 34 years, Deputy Tahsildar O/o the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District by his above mentioned acts exhibited lack of devotion to duty, failed to maintain integrity, behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and there by violated/ contravened 3(1), 3(2) of A.P. Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. HANUMANTHU TRIVENI, D/O KRISHNA RAO, 34 YEARS, DEPUTY TAHSILDAR O/O THE TAHSILDAR, ROLUGUNTA MANDAL, ANAKAPALLI DISTRICT.

Smt. Hanumanthu Triveni D/o Krishna Rao, is native of Borumajjipalem Village, Kamalanabhapuram Post, Kotabommali Mandal, Srikakulam District. Her date of birth is 25.06.1990. She entered into Government Service on 02.07.2014 as Panchayat Secretary and worked as such at the o/o the MPDO, Polaki Mandal, Srikakulam District from 02.07.2014 to 19.04.2018. She was appointed as Deputy Tahsildar in direct recruitment by APPSC and worked at Collectorate, Visakhapatnam from 20.04.2018 to 11.07.2019. She was worked as Dy. Tahsildar at the O/o Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal from 12.07.2019 to 20-01-2023 (till date of Surprise Check). She is drawing basic pay of Rs. 49,790/-. She is due to retire from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.06.2052. She is here-in-after referred to as Government Servant.

CHARGE-1

That the Government Servant did not maintain the registers properly i.e Record Room Register, Movement Register, F-Line Register, Personal Cash Register by violating the orders vide G.O. Ms.No 3 of Revenue (Ser.III) Department dated 05.01.1990 of Govt. of AP & GO MS No.20 of Revenue (Ser-II) Department, dated 21.01.2016.

FACTS AND EVIDENCE:

On credible information that the Tahsildar and staff of Tahsildar's Office, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District were indulging in irregular practices by abusing their official position, a surprise check was conducted on the office of the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District on 20.01.2023 from 12:30 hrs to 22:30 hours by the Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam Range along with staff in the presence of two mediators, viz., 1) Sri Kagita Yedukondalu, Deputy Executive Engineer, Zone-V, Gnanapuram, Visakhapatnam and 2) Sri Kanchapu Prabhakar, S/o. Appala Raju, 55 Yrs., Sr. Asst., Establishment (C-Section) G.V.M.C. Main Office, Visakhapatnam.

The Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam and other surprise check party entered into the office of Tahsildar, Kasimkota at 12:25 hours and the Inspector of Police, introduced himself, his staff to Kum. Hanumanthu Triveni, Dy. Tahsildar, Rolugunta who is available in the office and informed him about the purpose of the visit. The Inspector of Police enquired the where abouts of the Tahsildar and She informed that their Tahsildar Sri Kotari Venkateswara Rao went to visit field enquiry i.e. assignment lands near Antalapalem Helmet, Kovvuru Revenue. The Mandal Surveyor also went to field.

The Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam informed the Revenue Divisional Officer, Anakapalli over the phone about the surprise check being

conducted on the Tahsildar office, Rolugunta Mandal and requested him to visit the office or depute some officers who are having knowledge of Revenue Records and procedural aspects.

On enquiry about the personal cash declaration register, the Dy. Tahsildar informed me that the Register was not being maintained.

While the proceedings are in progress at about 12.50 hours Sri Kotari Venkateswara Rao, Tahsildar attended the office. The Inspector, ACB informed the Tahsildar about the purpose of visit.

The Tahsildar Office, Rolugunta is located at Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District. The Main entrance of the Tahsildar office was facing south. The chamber of Tahsildar, Rolugunta was located towards the southwest corner facing east and the remaining office consisted of a staff room, video conference room, DT room, RI room and surveyor room, records room and empty room. The restroom and toilets were located adjacent to the Tahsildar chamber from south to North. There was an open place located in the centre of the Tahsildar Office building. The staff room consisting of the seats of DT (HDT), Typist was located south side of the open place, the record room was located north side of the open place and the Video conference room, DT room, RI room, surveyor room, the vacant room was located east side of the building. Velugu office and MDO office were located north side of the Tahsildar's office building.

At about 14.00 hours Sri Magapu Venkata Vara Prasad, Tahsildar, Makavara Palem Mandal, Anakapalli Dist., came to Tahsildar Office, Rolugnta and met the Inspector, ACB. The Inspector, ACB appraised him about the surprise check and requested him to assist the ACB officials by perusing the records and giving clarifications to the doubts expressed by the ACB team with regard to procedural aspects.

On the request of the Inspector of Police, Tahsildar, Rolugunta produced the registers/records, out of that the following irregularities observed.

1. **Record Room Register**: This register was not being maintained properly.
2. **Movement Register:** This register was maintained from 16.07.2019 to 31.12.2019 only and no entries were found from 01.01.2020 to 20.01.2023.
3. **F-Line Register:** This register was maintained from 19.05.2021 to 30.10.2021. No entries were found from 31.10.2021 to 20.01.2023.
4. **Personal Cash Register:** Maintained from 01.07.2019 to 26.07.2021 and no entries were made from 27.07.2021 to 20.01.2023.

When questioned the Tahsildar about improper maintenance Personal cash register attendance register, Record Room Register, Movement Register, and F-Line Register, he stated that they were not being maintained properly.

On examination of Smt. Hanumanthu Triveni, the Inspector of Police, ACB, asked about the improper maintenance of registers i.e. attendance register, Record Room Register, Movement Register, F-Line Register and personal cash

register, she stated that due to insufficient staff and pressure of re-survey work, they were not being maintained.

The above registers were seized by the Inspector of Police, ACB in presence of the mediators.

The Inspector of Police examined the following witnesses.

1. Sri Magapu Venkata Vara Prasad, S/o Rama Rao, 57 years, Tahsildar, Makavarapalem Mandal, Anakapalli District, R/o 4-48, Backside of Govt. High school, Adams School Road, Chodavaram

He stated that he had been working as Tahsildar, Makavarapalem Mandal, Anakapalli District since 14.07.2022. On the instructions of the Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam, He attended the office of Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal at about 14:30 hours. Sri G.Prema Kumar, Inspector of Police informed that a surprise check had been conducted on the office of Tahsildar, Rolugunta and requested to assist the ACB officials in the proceedings. The ACB officials searched all the office premises of the Tahsildar Office in his presence.

At the request of the Inspector, he perused the Personal cash register attendance register, Record Room Register, Movement Register, and F-Line Register, and found that they were not maintained properly and irregularities found in the registers were incorporated in the proceedings in the presence of mediators.

2. Sri Hanumanthu Venkata Jaya ram S/o late Papa Rao, N Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam Division, Anakapalli District, N/o Talagam (V), Tekkali Mandal, Srikakulam District

He stated that he had been working as Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam, since 18.01.2023. The Inspector, ACB Visakhapatnam informed, during the course of surprise check some irregularities have come to light in the O/o Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal of Anakapalli District. The ACB authorities asked procedural aspects in Mutation of land records, Modification of 22-A list, F-Line Applications and to furnish the procedure being adopted by theTahsildar and his staff, while attending the work in office. He furnished the procedural aspects about Mutation applications, Modification of 22-A List, F-line Applications, Maintaining office records, allowing private persons, etc. and citizen charter vide letter RC.No.905/2023/G/Dt:24.06.2023 & 27.06.2023.

Hence, the charge against the Government Servant that she did not maintain the registers properly i.e., Record Room Register, Movement Register, F-Line Register, Personal Cash Register by violating the orders vide G.O. Ms.No 3 of Revenue (Ser.III) Department dated 05.01.1990 of Govt of AP& GO MS No.20 of Revenue (Ser-II) Department, dated 21.01.2016 is held substantiated.

CHARGE-2:

That the Government Servant engaged Kum Kidari Sowmyalatha @ Sangeetha, to assist in maintaining the official records and paying Rs.3,000/- per month.

FACTS AND EVIDENCE:

During the surprise check, Kum Kidari Sowmyalatha @ Sangeetha, was found in the Tahsildar Office. The Inspector of Police, ACB, Visakhapatnam examined her in the presence of mediators. She stated that Smt Triveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta engaged her to assist in maintaining the official records and paying Rs.3,000/- per month. The Tahsildar, Rolugunta Sri Kotari Venkateswara Rao also allowed her to do the same. Every day she attends the office by 10:00 am and assists to maintain records of caste, family member certificates and late birth certificates. Her monthly salary of Rs.3,000/- was being paid by Smt Triveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta.

The Inspector of Police examined the following witnesses.

1. **Kum Kidari Sowmyalatha @ Sangeetha, D/o Kannababu, 18 years, R/o Near State Bank of India, Rolugunta, Anakapalli District.**

On examination, she stated that she had been residing in the above address along with her parents. Two months ago, Smt Triveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta engaged her to assist in maintaining the official records and paying Rs.3,000/- per month. The Tahsildar, Rolugunta Sri Kotari Venkateswara Rao also allowed her to do the same. Every day she attends the office by 10:00 am and assists to maintain records of caste, family member certificates and late birth certificates. Her monthly salary of Rs.3,000/- was being paid by Smt Triveni, Deputy Tahsildar, Rolugunta.

2. Sri Magapu Venkata Vara Prasad, S/o Rama Rao, 57 years, Tahsildar, Makavarapalem Mandal, Anakapalli District.

On examination, he stated that he had been working as Tahsildar, Makavarapalem Mandal, Anakapalli District since 14.07.2022. On the instructions of the Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam, He attended the office of Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal at about 14:30 hours. The ACB officials searched all the office premises of the Tahsildar Office in his presence. It was found that Sri Dwarapureddy Pavan was working as a computer operator by paying Rs.10,000/- per month, Kum. Kidari Sowmya Latha @ Sangeeta, attending work to the Dy. Tahsildar, Sri Dwaraarepudi Sai Kiran, assisting Sri A.Durga Shankar, VRO, who was physically handicapped and unable to walk, Sri Gudela Lakshmana Rao was attending on behalf of his Smt. Yerrayyamma, VRA of Nidgonda village grandmother, who was suffering from ill-health.

3. Sri Hanumanthu Venkata Jaya ram S/o late Papa Rao, N Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam Division, Anakapalli District, N/o Talagam (V), Tekkali Mandal, Srikakulam District.

He stated that he had been working as Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam, since 18.01.2023. The ACB authorities asked procedural aspects in Mutation of land records, Modification of 22-A list, F-Line Applications and to furnish the procedure being adopted by the Tahsildar and his staff, while attending the work in office.

As per the new policy of the Government, the Data entry operators who were sanctioned on Out Sourcing basis were converted into A.O Corporation for out sourcing services and they are being paid remuneration regularly. But, there is no provision to allow private persons in the O/o Tahsildar's Office.

Hence the charge against the Government Servant that she engaged Kum Kidari Sowmyalatha @ Sangeetha, to assist in maintaining the official records and paying Rs.3,000/- per month is held substantiated.

Thus, the Government Servant Smt. Hanumanthu Triveni D/o Krishna Rao, 34 years, Deputy Tahsildar o/o the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of Government Servant and he failed to take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of his subordinates despite being a Supervisory Officer and thereby, he contravened Rule 3(1), 3(2) of A.P. Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus, the Government Servant, Smt. Hanumanthu Triveni D/o Krishna Rao, 34 years, Deputy Tahsildar o/o the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District rendered herself liable for regular Departmental action.

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ANNEXURE – III

ORAL EVIDENCE:

CHARGE – I:

The following oral evidence is available on record.

1.	**Sri Magapu Venkata Vara Prasad, S/o Rama Rao, 57 years, Tahsildar, Makavarapalem Mandal, Anakapalli District, R/o 4-48, Backside of Govt. High school, Adams School Road, Chodavaram**
2.	**Sri Kagita Yedukondalu, Deputy Executive Engineer, Zone-V, Gnanapuram, R/o. D.No.39-8-51/4, Sec-8, Muralinagar, Visakhapatnam (Mediator-I)**
	He is one of the mediators of surprise check conducted on the office of the Tahsildar, Pendurthi, Visakhapatnam on 20.01.2023. He speaks about his observations as Mediator during the Surprise Check and etc. facts.
3.	**Sri Kanchapu Prabhakar, S/o. Appala Raju, 55 Yrs., Sr. Asst., Establishment (C-Section) G.V.M.C. Main Office, R/o. D.No.14-501, Sec-3, Arilova, Visakhapatnam District (Mediator-II).**
	He is one of the mediators of surprise check conducted on the office of the Tahsildar, Pendurthi, Visakhapatnam on 20.01.2023. He speaks about his observations as Mediator during the Surprise Check and etc. facts
4.	**Sri Hanumanthu Venkata Jaya ram S/o late Papa Rao, N Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam Division, Anakapalli District, N/o Talagam (V), Tekkali Mandal, Srikakulam District**
5.	**Sri P.Venkata Ramana, District Revenue Officer, Anakapalli District.** He furnished the job charts, service particulars of the Tahsildar and staff of the Tahsildar's office, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District vide letter Computer.No. 18492/2023/Admn/A2, dated 28/02/2023.
6.	**Sri. G. Prema Kumar, Inspector, ACB, Visakhapatnam Range**
7.	Any other witness to be mentioned at the time of enquiry.

CHARGE –II:

The following oral evidence is available on record.

1.	Kum Kidari Sowmyalatha @ Sangeetha, D/o Kannababu, 18 years, R/o Near State Bank of India, Rolugunta, Anakapalli District.
2.	**Sri Magapu Venkata Vara Prasad, S/o Rama Rao, 57 years, Tahsildar, Makavarapalem Mandal, Anakapalli District, R/o 4-48, Backside of Govt. High school, Adams School Road, Chodavaram**
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	He is one of the mediators of surprise check conducted on the office of the Tahsildar, Pendurthi, Visakhapatnam on 20.01.2023. He speaks about his observations as Mediator during the Surprise Check and etc. facts.
5.	**Sri Kanchapu Prabhakar, S/o. Appala Raju, 55 Yrs., Sr. Asst., Establishment (C-Section) G.V.M.C. Main Office, R/o. D.No.14-501, Sec-3, Arilova, Visakhapatnam District (Mediator-II).**
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6.	**Sri. G. Prema Kumar, Inspector, ACB, Visakhapatnam Range**
7.	Any other witness to be mentioned at the time of enquiry.

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ANNEXURE –IV

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE:-

CHARGE-I:

1.	Surprise check proceedings dtd.20.01.2023 drafted in the office of the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District. (S.No. 1 of the documentary evidence)
2.	Record Room Register.(S.No. 2 of the documentary evidence).
3.	Movement Register. (S.No. 3 of the documentary evidence).
4.	F-Line Register. (S.No. 4 of the documentary evidence).
5.	Personal Cash Register. (S.No. 5 of the documentary evidence).
6.	Letter RC.No.905/2023/G/Dt:24.06.2023 & 27.06.2023 of Revenue Divisional Officer, Narsipatnam Division, Anakapalli District (S.No. 10 of the documentary evidence)
7.	Letter vide Computer No. 18492/2023/Admn/A2, dated 28/02/2023 of the District Revenue Officer, Anakapalli (S.No. 11 of the documentary evidence)
8.	G.O.M.S.No. 3 Rev (Serv-III) Dept, Dated 05.01.1990 of Govt of A.P. (S.No. 12 of the documentary evidence).
9.	G.O. Ms. No. 3 of Revenue (Ser.III) Department, Dated: 05.01.1990 &G.O. Ms. No. 20 of Revenue (Ser.II) Department, Dated: 21.01.2016 of Govt of AP. (S.No. 13 of the documentary evidence).
10.	Any other document to be mentioned at the time of enquiry

CHARGE-II:

1.	Surprise check proceedings dtd.20.01.2023 drafted in the office of the Tahsildar, Rolugunta Mandal, Anakapalli District. (S.No. 1 of the documentary evidence)
2.	Any other document to be mentioned at the time of enquiry

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